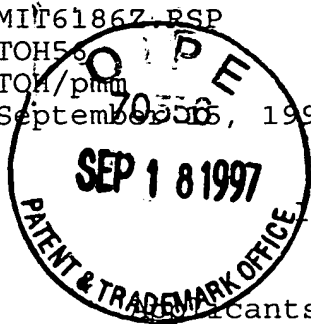


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The Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The following is in response to the Office Action dated March 14, 1997. A three-month extension of the term in which to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested and a petition is enclosed requesting the extension.

Please amend the application as follows:

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